SAMPLE OF RESPONDENT COMMENTS

Survey respondents were given the opportunity to describe their most memorable moments in their experience at TMI. This open-ended question solicited quite a range of responses for which Cam created 4 categories:

- Mystical Experience reference to experiences of metanormal functioning
- Personal Learning and Development reference to lessons learned, insights generated, personal growth/healing
- Belonging reference to the value of or connection to others in the program
- Gestalt reference to the intangibles or indivisibility of the unique features of TMI

Sample of Respondent Comments (in some cases these are merely excerpts)

1. Mystical Experience

Gateway Only:

- Finding there was a ghost in my room (seriously!)
- Meeting with a guide of mine
- Hearing the ground drink the rain that fell
- Being shown an image of my Higher Self by my deceased mother
- Seeing huge statues carved out of milk, with fine detail, floating in one area of far space and knowing they were The Dreamers.
- Contact with deceased parents and others
- Awakening a past life
- Having an implant removed by these beings I would never have imagined and afterwards being pain-free for the first time in a long time
- The walk in the outdoors with trees, stones, animals, etc. "talking" to me
- Remembering how I went to/was the stars as I fell asleep as a child
- Connecting to other participants and facilitators through telepathy

Multiple Programs:

- A non-physical meeting with my family. Very healing.
- Meeting my grandmother for the first time and realizing that she is available to help me.

- In the closing circle we "fell" into a spontaneous silent meditation, an atmospheric Presence moved into the room that was sooooo powerful, tangible, and loving . . . no one said a word or stirred for over two hours.
- The sudden, acute awareness of off-planet entities communicating directly to me which has caused an irreversible (I wouldn't want it reversed) personal paradigm shift in my consciousness in how to approach life
- I had an interaction with my son who passed away at birth as a result of an auto accident. It was a beautiful, playful and deeply emotional experience all at the same time.
- The most meaningful in an on-going way is my discovery of inner guides who regularly provide me with direction for both my inner and outer life.
- Being visited by Mother Mary, who presented me with a long-stemmed black rose and murmured, "I embrace my shadow, for it illuminates my light" (this was seminal, in that it taught me that I need not get rid of anything).
- When I found a piece of myself I didn't even know was separate from me and desperately trying to get my attention and "come home."
- Being with Spirit/all that is/the divine oneness totally and in the state of bliss
- Having a vision of the woman I would eventually live with 8 years later

2. Personal Learning and Development

Gateway Only:

- I am no longer afraid of death and feel more connected to the universe and my fellow creatures and nature
- I was able to accept my limitations and inner barriers and judgments, and forgive myself for it
- Feeling myself being able to relax and quiet my mind
- A meeting having cried with oneself of the young time together
- · Learning to trust myself and to know myself better
- Realizing how dumb I've been
- The first time I was actually aware of being OPEN to the messages that were there for me to hear
- The realization of another frontier of exploration
- The skills I learned to allow me to continue exploration within myself which have made me a better a person
- What I remember most about TMI is awaking to the concept that we, the human race, strongly affect each other with our energy, and that we are responsible for our own energy, as well as responsible for deflecting the energy of others when it is meant to harm
- Discovering the clown chakra

Realizing I am still alive

Multiple Programs:

- My increased awareness of the omens in everyday life
- The feeling, presence of knowing that I am loved and have much great support
- Mostly it was the healings and personal lessons learned about myself that were so unexpected, but were so profound. I am a very different person, much more whole than before.
- The day that I found out that my life is nothing more than what I say it is, whatever beliefs I adopt is how life appears to me. And that physically as I had understood it is an illusion. I wasn't what I thought I was. Absolutely mind blowing!! I loved it and I am grateful everyday.
- TMI helped me heal when I was VERY bruised. I will always be grateful.
- Finding my inner child and having confidence in myself to dance with others
- One part of our purpose here on Earth, or one way to look at it, is to enable
 God to experience the physical. In my case, hear and enjoy music.
- The subtle changes in me that always follow later
- I became more fully aware of how fear-based I have lived my life. I realized that I often failed to follow my guidance if I was afraid of possible consequences.
- How I learned to love and trust my self
- Letting go of shame
- The release of many unconscious fears
- Rediscovering how love unites all of us

3. Belonging

Gateway Only:

- Meeting others with similar goals and desires
- The wonderful camaraderie with the other participants
- The People. It was like being back with family, having comfort and feeling
- secure in my thoughts.
- The people, the caring and understanding people
- The reaction of all the others when I told my "story". Very supportive!
- Being part of a group where there is so much acceptance and caring and to be able

- to express a shared belief and not be judged, lectured, scolded or preached to.
- The feeling of knowing everyone, as if I had been there before
- Total group acceptance. No judgments.
- 23 people from all over the world came together as strangers and left as friends
- The camaraderie of the participants. At first, everyone is nervous about opening
- up, but then amazing things start to happen and everyone becomes very close and
- supportive
- The energy and environment produced by a group of like minded individuals
- looking to discover themselves

Multiple Programs:

- The most memorable thing is the friendship and interactions with the participants
- Being in the incredible energy with the best people in the world
- The other people in the program. I felt totally accepted and loved.
- Discovering the existence of the kinds of people who attend and teach at the
- institute
- Friendships and shared experiences
- In EVERY class attended, the BONDING within the participants
- Meeting old friends
- Intimate sharing of thoughts that you can only share at TMI
- Shared experiences validating the "realness" of experiences; the precious personal
- qualities of participants
- Meeting so many other people from all over the world that are open to discuss and
- share their experiences with you and not be critical of your experiences when you
- choose to share.
- Meeting wonderful people and feeling them to be a spiritual family

4. Gestalt

Gateway Only:

- Everything, everything . . .
- The whole experience was a paradigm shift for me.
- Ah where to begin. I am very pragmatic and practical . . . and the psychic tranquility and aura of twinkling creativity pervaded the environment.
- All of it!
- The feeling of coming home. All I have to do is remember that way the buildings looked, or how hot it was that week, or the people I met; I relive the experience every time I think of it. I love that place.
- When I remember the course what fills my mind is the sea, the moon, the trees, and the view over the surrounding area.
- Waking up to "cable car" and bouncing out of bed eager to see what we'll be
- doing for the day!
- Freedom from the outside world, no clocks, TV, newspaper. Time to get in touch with your inner spirit.
- My experience there is a soft, mellow collage of great energy.
- Going for a walk and having butterflies dance all around me
- Listening to Joe McMoneagle
- Waking up one morning and seeing 4 deer standing on their hind legs, arranged in a circle in the mist
- The gentleness of the process
- All the laughter

Multiple Programs:

- The complete peace the minute your step onto the grounds
- MOST memorable. Just one. That's impossible! How do you choose among dying and learning the meaning of life; learning about love in the deepest possible way; finding yourself; truly understanding the nature of reality; transforming your life and health and relationships? I can't! Each time is as amazing as the last.
- It is not one event but the collective whole that brings my smile
- Hauntingly memorable
- TMI is like a hospital for the soul
- There is so much . . . Laughter!!! Space and time to contemplate. Beautiful
 nature. Compassionate and extraordinary companions. Heart opening both
 in a sort of general sense of feeling of love for the other participants, but also
 in a physical sense that feeling you get in the chest like you might explode.
 This force of "loosh" that is almost too much for the physical body to handle.

- Becoming aware of guides or non-physical friends who are looking out for you, and being overwhelmed by their loosh, knowing you are never alone.
- There is no one memorable experience. The whole program is the memorable experience.
- All the programs that I have attended are the most memorable and fascinating week that I have ever experienced. I love TMI and am looking forward to going there again, again, and again...
- The whole place tends to be a Wonderland.
- The tapes, and the way one experiences them, i.e., the booth itself
- I felt like I experienced a sense of home for the first time in my life (I had a
- decent childhood with a definite sense of love in the family).
- I drove to TMI the first time and Robert Monroe followed me home in a blue Pinto to give directions and guidance.
- The sense of peace and serenity
- These are the things of Monroe, a tool for a beleaguered humanity to accelerate the journey home